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Cover Photo

CONCERN'S cover girl will never get a Hollywood screen test. This little one works in an Indian rice paddy. Every day, week in and week out, year in and year out, she works. No school, no vacations, no fun. She is typical of thousands of Asian children who suffer from bad employment practices. On page 6 are revealing facts from a report of the UN's International Labor Organization. Legislation that America takes for granted is yet to be written to protect and educate many children and youth who are Asia's most precious resources, and who are infinitely precious in the eyes of God.

Forum

TO DEEPEN FELLOWSHIP

Sirs:

The MYF of Pusan Bible High School, Pusan, Korea, was formed by Miss Mary Mitchell, American missionary. It is growing very well through her leadership. We members of our MYF will be very glad to get in touch with the MYF members in America. We wish them the best of God's blessings. We shall be happy to deepen the international fellowship of the MYF.

Choi Hack Yong, world friendship chairman, Pusan, Korea.

—CONCERN WILL PAY POSTAGE ON YOUR FIRST LETTER TO THIS PUSAN MYF. SEND YOUR LETTERS TO CHOI HACK YONG C/O CONCERN, BOX 871, NASHVILLE 2, TENN.

WORD FROM KOREA

Sirs:

Your article in CONCERN 26 June, "We're missing big chance to serve servicemen" was given a wonderful reception at our chapel group service last week.

All of the Christian men and women in the armed forces feel as we do, a closer home church contact should be stressed.

Many times a young man or woman in the service will feel lost so far away from home. If their local church would encourage them to support their chaplain and take part in chapel activities, I am sure they would feel at hom away from home.

We would enjoy hearing more abou local and world wide church promo tion for work among servicemen.

Pfc. Robert Enstrom, now in Kore

TESTIMONIAL DEPARTMENT

Sirs:

Certainly I want to renew my sul scription. CONCERN is grand! I loo forward to it every two weeks.

I especially like your coverage MYF activities and those activities tha pertain to youth in The Methodi Church.

Ben Wright, Jr., V

Sirs:

I was delighted to read in your Se tember 4 issue about helping to pr mote CONCERN. It's just what I've bee wanting to do. How I would love to b a CONCERN representative! Would yo please send me the handbook.

May I say that CONCERN is one the very few things I put on my *mu* list to read each time. As a typic high school girl, I just don't hav enough time to do everything tha should be done, but I see to it tha CONCERN is read from cover to cove

Edwina Hunter, Okl

Sirs:

Do you have any extra copies of th September 18 issue of CONCERN? It a great issue and I'd like to give to Wesley Foundation councils ar Methodist student leaders on sever campuses.

Gerry Speidel, V

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xt convocation
urdue in '55

st week Lloyd M. Vallely, director ne Purdue Memorial Union, wrote ehalf of Purdue's President Fred- L. Hovde and himself cordially to e the next National Convocation of nodist Youth to be held at Purdue ersity. "Your 1951 conference," he "appeared to be so successful and aluable to the splendid young men women who attended that they will a very warm welcome here."

ne dates are cleared: August 22-26, .. About 5,000 youth, students and t leaders will come from local ches and campus student groups across the country.

ne call to the Convocation will be ed the first of January, and pro- onal fliers and leaflets will be lable after that time.

mperance leaders
meet in capitol

s this CONCERN reaches its readers, ch leaders from across the country traveling to Washington, D. C. for first national briefing conference citizenship convocation sponsored ne Methodist Board of Temperance. travelers are temperance board rmen from the church's 103 annual erences, district secretaries of tem- nce from nearly all of the church's districts, and staffs of national ds and agencies.

ne Convocation will be held October 6 at Mt. Vernon Place Methodist rch, except for Thursday evening n Methodist Bishop G. Bromley Ox- and Senator John Sparkman of ama address a mass convocation at ed Constitution Hall.

ne meeting will consider four speci- reas:

The influence beverage alcohol is ng on highway accidents rates and beverage alcohol can be driven he highways.

Safeguarding home life by pro- ng children and family groups from invasion of beverage alcohol over irways by radio and television.

Moving even further toward mak- Christmas more Christian by elimi- ng liquor in office parties and tak- ing alcohol off the accepted lists of Christmas gifts.

4. Committing persons and family groups to abstinence as a wiser way of life.

Caradine R. Hooton, executive secretary of the Methodist Board of Temperance, says that "out of the conference will come specific suggestions to all citizens for study and action to combat the inroads of beverage alcohol on state and local levels."

Preceding the meeting will be a two day planning session for leaders of the Woman's Society of Christian Service. WSCS groups are currently in a year-long study of "Alcohol and Christian Responsibility." About 100 key leaders will discuss study and action possibilities for local WSCS groups.

NEWS

Eisenberg moves to West Wisconsin

Larry Eisenberg, nationally known youth leader and recreation specialist, has just assumed responsibilities as executive secretary of the West Wisconsin Conference Board of Education. The appointment was announced by H. Clifford Northcott, bishop of the Madison area.

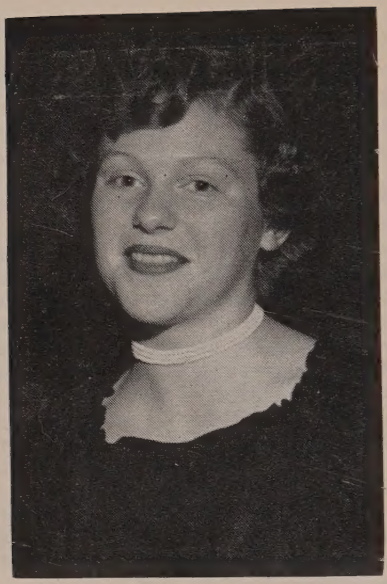
For 7 years Eisenberg was on the staff of the Youth Department of the General Board of Education, and following his resignation of a year ago spent time writing books and in specialized field work. Helen and Larry Eisenberg together have produced several books, the latest being *Handbook of Skits and Stunts*, published last March.

The Eisenberg family, including three children, will move to Madison, Wisc., as soon as housing can be arranged.

Indiana conference MYF president dies

Methodist youth in Indiana were shocked and saddened as the word spread: Janie Blake is dead.

The vivacious president of the Indiana Conference Methodist Youth Fellowship died last month at Indianapolis



Jane Adeline Blake
. . . conference president dies . . .

Methodist hospital, following a four-week illness. She had registered for the Kansas City meeting of the National Conference of Methodist Youth, but had to spend those meeting days in a hospital bed.

Jane graduated from Broad Ripple high school last June and had planned to enter DePauw University this fall. She had been awarded three scholarships, including a national Methodist student scholarship. At 18, Jane was among the most active Methodist youth in the state.

She attended the 1951 convocation at Purdue, worked hard on the Call to United Christian Youth Action, participated in Christian witness missions in Ft. Wayne and Terre Haute, Ind. and numerous other activities.

She lived in Indianapolis most of her life.

Methodists give for overseas relief

The Methodist Committee for Overseas Relief has voted a three-months appropriation of $205,165 for the relief of human suffering in various lands "without regard to race, color or creed."

Funds will go mainly for food, clothing, medicine, and the care of orphaned children in Korea, Japan, Okinawa, the Philippines, Malaya, Burma, Borneo, Sumatra, India, Pakistan, Austria, Germany, Hungary, Italy, and Yugoslavia. In most cases direct relief will be administered by Methodist missionaries or by representatives of interdenominational agencies.

Dr. Gaither P. Warfield, director of MCOR, reports that in the 13 years since the organization of the committee as a "relief arm" of The Methodist Church, it has received from Methodists and distributed $11,925,210 for needy people mostly in war-torn areas. This total does not include perhaps that much again which churches contributed in actual clothing, medicine, canned milk, wheat, potatoes and other foods.

Clothes for East Germany

President Eisenhower's plea that Americans contribute, through voluntary agencies, warm clothing and footwear for the people of East Germany has been seconded by MCOR, which is already sending relief shipments to Germany. Much of the clothing, food and medicines reach the needy in East Germany, according to Dr. Warfield.

Greatest need now is clothing. MCOR urges all Methodists to search their closets and send all clothing they can spare to the nearest Church World Service center: New Windsor, Md.; Nappanee, Ind.; 110 East 29th St., New York 16; 10901 Russett St., Oakland, Calif.; and 3146 Lucas Ave., St. Louis, Mo.

Missionary prisoner returns to Korea

A. Kristian Jensen, well-known Methodist missionary who was recently released from three years as a prisoner of communist North Korea, has now returned to the far east for a flying visit to South Korea. A grant from the Rockefeller Foundation sends Dr. Jensen "to survey present needs for the development of educational and community leadership in Korea." He has not been south of the 38th Parallel since his capture in June, 1950. Dr. and Mrs. Jensen are going to Korea for regular missionary service sometime next Spring.

Hit Parade Hymns

opular tunes, like death and taxes, always to be with us.

hile most of them have to do with themes as the budding of young or the maturing experience of quited love, the nation seems to now taken into its shower sere- s the so-called "religious" songs it parade stature. The first of the ent rash of tunes has been "I Be-." And now it is followed by "Cry- in the Chapel," "God Bless Every-" and others telling of the sad ings of lovers in old Spanish mis- chapels.

he sociologist might more quickly gnize the content of these songs as appropriate to China or India, hey chiefly consist of sentimentali- about the goodness of life, the ning for something hazy and off in distance, or the down-right super- ous interpretation of prayer and ship. At no point do these songs at guilt, forgiveness, redemption, he suffering of Christ. Those who their Christian faith seriously ld do well to recognize the gulf that rate songs of this nature from the stian's expression of faith.

hy is it that these songs have such ide acceptance when the majority he nation are listed as members of churches? One answer is that the religious life of the nation oftimes deteriorates to point where anything that remote- esembles an expression of good or just the bare hint at a friendly or the sanctity of a house of ship, elicit praise as being "re- us." The unfortunate part of all is that most Christian folk do realize that they are fooling them- es when they think that the re- us nature of these songs has any- g at all to do with the gospel of Christian church.

is also well to note that these songs are competing with all the current love and jive songs and are doing quite well. Apparently the same kind of deep personal feeling expressed in them all and felt by the listener is the common ingredient that makes for the hit parade. There is very little concern for the other person. It always *"I* Believe." or I was crying in the chapel or *I* was waiting for any lost true love down in sunny California. To think that religion, and the Christian faith in particular, is only a strong personal emotion is a perversion of the gospel. For the Christian faith is a matter of not only the feelings, but of the mind, of the will, of doctrine, and of history.

How easy it would have been for the twelve apostles just to have knelt and prayed in the chapel and to have believed that rain grew roses and babies would be loved. Instead they traveled to the ends of the known world and believed not in some abstract act of nature or power of good, but in God the Father of our Lord and Master Jesus Christ.

The prevalence of songs of so-called faith may only indicate that all men are by nature religious. But though we would not condemn anyone's liking for them, we should be quite clear as to the difference between them and what we take to be an understanding of the Christian faith.

The song, "Crying in the Chapel," is reported to have been written by a man who finally attended a church service after much pleading by his son. He wrote it after he saw how the small band of people there were moved to tears by the eloquence of his son's preaching at the tender age of 15. The father might have found peace of mind, but he also has come into over 100,000 dollars. And the other songs too have been the victims of the histrionics of better known vocalists who have found that this so-called religious music does well as a money-maker. One may

wonder once more just what these songs represent when one sees them thrown out on the market as the new gimmick of the season to be lapped up by romantic emotionalism.

The Christian gospel is always in the danger of being politely forgotten, or sentimentalized, or watered down to meaningless religious "goo." We think it advisable to call these songs into question that they may be seen for what they are—religious, perhaps, but faint shadows and ugly contortions when placed against the meaning of the Christian faith.

—BY HAROLD K. JACOBSON, in *Religion at the News Desk*
September 19

Concern for life

Asian youth suffer in work

Asia's "most precious resources—its children and youth—may be wasted unless something is done immediately to stop bad employment practices."

That opinion, coming from the UN's International Labor Organization, is getting close study at special Asian regional conferences. One such conference was held last month in Tokyo.

ILO reports that Burma, Ceylon, Indochina, Malaya, Pakistan and Thailand will have a combined population of 720 million by 1970. This is an increase of 150 million, or more than 25 per cent, in 20 years. While these countries are progressing economically, they still seem unable to meet the needs of their increasing population. First to suffer: children and youth. Some countries have passed legislation on the protection and education of youth, but not enough.

Juvenile delinquency and begging are on the increase, especially in urban areas. Many older youth cannot find employment, and many young children are often forced to work as unpaid helpers on family farms.

Among the harmful employment practices reported by ILO are "Mui tsai," by which parents transfer a boy or girl by deed of sale to another family; the pledging of child labor by parents or guardians; non-regulated apprenticeship; and indirect hiring.

In many Asian countries, children are working under harmful conditions. Physically and morally they are hurt. Children may be put to work at very early ages, kept on long hours, with inadequate rest periods and no hygienic facilities.

A report of the International Labor Organization, "Measures for the Protection of Young Workers in Asia Countries," recommends several steps which are in line with Christian concern for helping people find life. Included in the recommendations are these aims:

- Striving for a minimum age of 1 before one can work in any occupation
- Giving free compulsory educatio up to the age of 14 wherever possibl
- Using existing school facilitie fully by having double shifts, evenin classes, mobile units, and so on.
- Giving vocational part-time in struction for employed children whe full-time education is not feasible.
- Making the greatest possible us of technical and vocational training fa cilities.
- Helping young people wtih f nancial support so they can continu their education.
- Giving special attention to em ployment opportunities and placemen vocational guidance and eradication abuses in ways that children are place in jobs.
- Making sure that any raising the age at which a child may lea school for work is a accompanied by raising of the minimum age at whic one may begin employment.

In most Asian countries, condition have been improving steadily in th last 20 or 30 years, particularly i large factories and plantations whe existing laws can more easily be en forced. Asia is making great progre in many areas of life, but ILO's repo on labor practices points up one are that demands concerned attention.

YOUTH EMPHASIS BULLETIN

Area Plans Are Presented in Workbooks

DIANA AREA issues a handsome brochure punched to
t a three-ring notebook binder, so that helps and
ggestions may be added later. Their foreword says
part:

"The youth program of the Indiana Area will be known as YOUTH OF THE WAY. (Early disciples were known as men of the way.) In the pages that follow you will find an outline of events by years. Since the local church, the district, and the subdistrict will want to make some items more specific, you will find a space on each page to write out details. . ."

ey divide their calendar into (1) 1953—Enlisting
i Training for the Way, (2) 1954—Learning to Walk
e Way, (3) 1955—Walking Effectively.

WA-DES MOINES AREA illustrates its booklet with
otographs of area and conference leaders as well
clever drawings. They are well on the way to their
al in 1953 of a Christian Witness Mission in every
bdistrict, with the hope that each local church
ll promote a week-end Christian Witness Mission
ring the Lenten season, 1954.

1954 TRAINING ADULT LEADERS will get under way
th a Jurisdictional Workshop in January, a disict follow-up of this in February, and special emasis on district and subdistrict workshops for
aining adult leaders throughout the fall.

ril Youth Emphasis Rallies in their districts will
int up the fact that youth must work with their
ult leaders in support of the program.

PORTLAND AREA presents a Concern-sized multilithed workbook containing a message from Bishop Grant, a statement of purpose for the Emphasis, a calendar of program activities for the quadrennium, and a specific plan for the annual conferences in this area.

Each annual conference held in September a training conference in each subdistrict for key workers with youth. From these subdistrict conferences were to come trained leaders to undergird the program planning in each local church.

The workbook gives detailed plans for a three-evening planning meeting to be held in each church. Additional suggestions are made for the committees on

1. Strengthening Faith
2. Winning New Youth
3. Improving the MYF

KANSAS AREA under the leadership of Bishop Dana Dawson will hold its planning conference November 18-19.

Annual Conference Report

NORTH CAROLINA has recently completed plans for getting the Emphasis under way. A special committee appointed by Bishop Garber made plans for Youth Night during Annual Conference in October to present the Emphasis. In addition to a panel discussion, and an address, the young people will stage a drama on the Theme, "Where Are the Other Three?"

After Annual Conference each district superintendent will call the pastors of his district together for a day to think about the youth situation as they see it in their own churches. As they think about things they can do, the suggestions will be summarized and used as a basis for district planning.

NORTH MISSISSIPPI presented its plans at a Convocation held August 27-29 at the University of Mississippi. The program booklet for this meeting carrie

kground material on the Emphasis, a message from ernor White, and plans as developed by the Youth hasis Committee. Plans include:

. Emphasis on adult leadership—to find and train ocal church counselors; to use special training ourses in Pastors' Schools; and to plan district amily life conferences for parents in 1954.

. Training youth leaders—through overnight re-reats for subdistrict councils; workshops for ocal church officers; workshops to help prepare ocal churches for Youth Activities Week and hristian Adventure Week.

5. Forming Community Councils made up of repre-sentative agencies and clubs to provide a commun-ity calendar of activities, making possible a more equitable distribution of time among various youth agencies.

STERN NORTH CAROLINA suggests in its annual report at two principles of procedure be kept in mind:

1. Keep all activities within the pattern of the regular church program for youth.

2. Use activities which might have a constant place in the youth program after the period of "Em-phasis" is past.

tivities recommended by the conference youth coun-l include:

A Christian Witness Mission during Lent for every charge.

A pre-Easter subdistrict youth rally stressing "Christian Faith" to be planned by the district superintendent, district director of youth work, and the subdistrict council.

Continued emphasis on training opportunities for local church youth and adult workers, i.e. send carefully selected delegates to camps and assemblies; provide training classes, provide a fellowhip of adult workers with youth.

REPORT ON TV AND RADIO PROGRAMS—September 1953. CBS- "Church of the Air", Sunday, September 6, presented over a nation-wide network a service from West End Methodist Church, Nashville, Tennessee, with Harold W. Ewing preaching. Requests for a copy of the sermon have come from 26 different states to date. NBC-TV- "Frontiers of Faith", Sunday, September 13 (and within sixty days thereafter), carried a dramatic 30-minute program over approximately 70 stations. During the first two days after the broadcast requests were received from 75 persons in 19 states for copies of the script to be used in local church youth groups, in meetings of the W.S.C.S. and in other ways.

Radio Program—"Let There Be Light", weeks of September 7 and 14 and thereafter. Two 15-minute dramatic radio programs were presented over nearly 700 stations in every state and Alaska. This program of the National Council of Churches is carried regularly over approximately 225 stations. We were able through our own Methodist promotion to increase the number nearly 200% and provide what is believed to be the largest audience ever to listen to a religious broadcast sponsored by any denomination as a part of a single emphasis. Recordings of these two programs (both on one 33-1/3 LP record) are being sold for $1.00 each for collateral uses as part of the Youth Emphasis.

FLASH: ROCK RIVER CONFERENCE reports 7 district Youth Emphasis workshops with an average attendance of 114, divided about evenly between youth and adults, with lay adult workers far exceeding the number of pastors in attendance. "There's been nothing like it in terms of success since I've been in this work" says Dr. R. Merrill Powers, executive secretary.

a reports more traveling fellowship

N THE SEPTEMBER 4 ISSUE OF CERN HAROLD EWING WROTE ON THE ELING FELLOWSHLP IN IOWA. MORE HE STORY SHOULD BE TOLD, IOWA ERS BELIEVE, AND SO THEY HAVE DETAILS ON PLANNING AND RE-S. HERE IS THEIR STORY:

e of the "TF" are so enthused t our big idea here in Iowa that want to follow up Harold Ewing's le with more on the results, the ose and planning, the lasting ef- of the "Traveling Fellowship."

orth Iowa MYF council members ht a way to make the Youth Em-is effective, and came up with the as an answer. Eleven months of ning on the conference, district and levels was realized August 8-16. e are some results of the TF:

Told every church in the conference ut the Youth Emphasis.

Obtained list of active, semi-active inactive members in each church.

Touched more youth and adults than before in a conference project.

Discovered needs of MYF's in the ference.

Spread ideas from church to church.

Inspired new conference officers ut their conference work.

he daily schedule was kept for t days in eight districts, beginning 8:00 a.m. for worship and packing meeting in four churches during day and concluding with district per and evening rally. TF team bers spent a day of training be- actual visitation. They studied the erials they were to present and red ideas on ways to handle some icult situations that might arise. er supper each day came an evalua- session to learn new techniques to share heartwarming experiences humorous incidents.

ll of us had our moments when we e close to God that we will re-ber for the rest of our lives. Two had the joy of organizing an F, even to electing officers and re-ing adult workers. The influence he TF led one boy to dedicate his to youth work.

ne member of the TF wrote that the fuel that kept the spirit of God

MYF in action

burning in the TF was the power of prayer. They started the day with prayer, prayed before they entered a church, prayed after they left, prayed before the evening service, during it, and closed their days with prayer in friendship circles.

The 27 youth and adults covered a total of 20,000 miles in the eight days, visiting an average of 50 churches a day. The schedule was hard and close.

The TF is not over, though, since its members are planning a Christmas reunion with a purpose. They want to survey a town that has no Methodist church, hoping to lay foundations for beginning a church.

Four adults traveled in the groups: Louis Hilbert, area director of youth work; Royal Bennett, conference counselor of youth work; Charles F. Haigh, pastor in the conference; and Harold Ewing, director of the Youth Department, General Board of Education. More information on the TF can be obtained from Mr. Bennett, Humboldt, Iowa.

North Carolina MYF holds annual conference

The Second Annual Conference Session of the North Carolina Conference Methodist Youth Fellowship—a lot of words, but they're important because they stand for something different. Some 400 delegates came together in Durham in late August as the official, policy-making body representing youth throughout the conference. As the annual conference session is the business body for the whole conference, so this meeting is the business body for the conference MYF.

Delegates spent a week on conference affairs, such as Methodist Youth Fund promotion, watchnight services, the conference newspaper, and so on.

The group sent letters to major national TV and radio networks to protest alcohol advertisements and the prevalence of crime programs, and a letter to the governor of North Carolina protesting pari-mutual betting in certain areas of the state.

Conference theme was "These are our needs: to believe, to belong, to become, and to be found." Speaker was Dan Whitsett, pastor of First church in Sylacauga, Ala.

About 1,200 youth poured in from all over the conference for the closing youth rally. New officers were introduced: Belton Joyner, Jr.; president, Billy Baum, vice president; Maxine McLohon, secretary; Ed Osteen, treasurer; and Baker Morgan, publicity chairman. For two days after the annual conference session, representatives of most subdistricts in the conference met in full council to make plans for the coming year.

Governor speaks to subdistrict MYF

When the Suburban subdistrict MYF held its fall rally at First church in Laurel, Md. September 20, guest speaker was the governor of Maryland, Theodore McKeldin.

Governor McKeldin told the 300 MYFers about his first speech, given at an Epworth League meeting. He was supposed to speak seven minutes, but forgot four and fumbled for three. But he asked for another chance, spoke seven minutes and got the confidence that has helped him be a speaker ever since. The governor called himself a Methodist Episcopal since he was reared a Methodist and is now an Episcopalian.

Speaking on "Revelations of Character," the governor emphasized integrity, sobriety, courage, purity, obedience and humility. "The only way to handle liquor is total obstinence," he told the group.

During the recreation period following the program, the governor entered a soda pop race with a fellow, and the governor won. The governor was probably much thirstier, that being his fifth speech of the day.

Classified Ad

CONCERN doesn't have a classified ad section, but we might make one to tell our young married readers that Cooperative Recreation Service needs a young family to help print *Lift Every Voice, Sing It Again*, and a hundred other booklets for church and school groups.

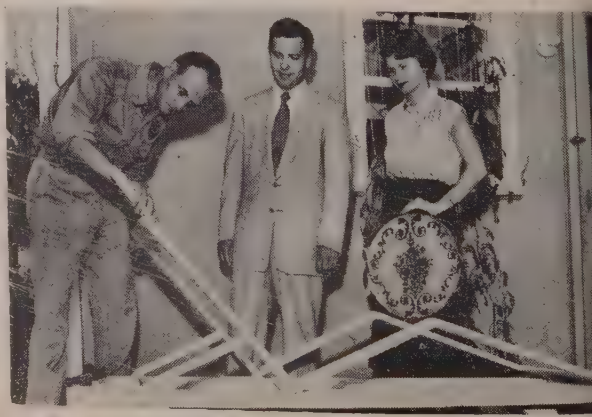
Permanent job available printing, binding and offset work; young couple; country background preferred. Write Cooperative Recreation Service, Delaware, Ohio.

Church members in 'Operation Talents'

Often from across the church com reports that the parable of the talent is being put to work in a modern manner.

In Ft. Wayne, Ind. the collectio plate was passed the wrong way t members of Christ Methodist Churc and each person took out $10 — th money to be invested and the proceed returned to the church for its work The congregation opened a gift shop t sell products the members made. (Se photo.)

The Dayton Community Methodis Church in Dayton, Mich. distribute $500 to its members last May, an ingathering is set for Sunday, Novem ber 1.



For the "Operation Talents" project of Christ church in Ft. Wayne, Ind., George Thayer made a chaise lounge. Janet Hinman made decoration trays. Pastor Donald LaSuer watches the work. (See story.)

—RNS Photo

most always, according to reports, its of such projects are far great- an expected. The parable of the s works, even in this modern cation.

ida camp icates chapel

rida MYFers had an extra dose y this summer because of a beau- new chapel at their conference n camp. The chapel is the 48th ing at the camp.

e chapel will seat 300 and has designed to seat the largest ds at regular summer camps. The e lake side of the chapel is glass, a great picture window in the r. Worshippers look out over Lake in—a natural worship setting.

e Graham-Sapp chapel is the gift Ir. and Mrs. J. Hilbert Sapp of ndo, Fla., who have long been in- ted in the conference youth pro- n and who gave the first cabins the camp was started six years "It's a dream come true," says ren Willis, conference director of h work and camp director.

uth collect clothes, e for missions

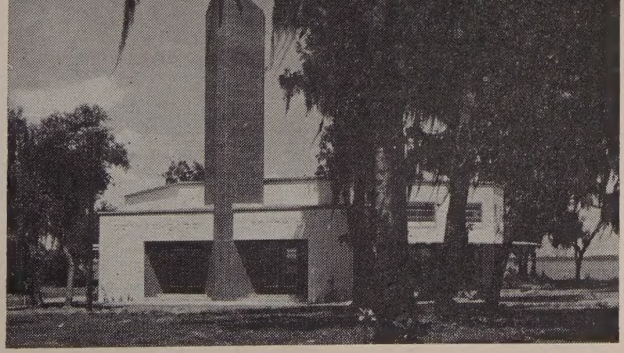
United Christian youth in Living- County, Mo. discovered that 8,000 ds of clothing makes quite a big ntain. The four tons were collected 0 youth in a three-day drive called ed clothing for Korea." Missouri erence MYF president Tom Adams spearheaded the drive. Last spring he helped plan a drive in Grundy County which netted 7,080 pounds. Youth canvassed every house in Chillicothe and smaller towns in the county, got a local trucking firm to drive the clothing to the St. Louis Church World Service center without charge. Youth collected $100 to pay for processing and packing the clothes.

◆ At Harrisburg, Ill. district youth activities weeks, early last month, youth said "Discover God's will and live." They sold conference "Good-Will" bonds for $1 each, a special project to support the Southern Illinois Little Grassy camp.

◆ Junior hi campers of the East Oklahoma conference gave $77 to Meals for Millions when 115 met for a week to think about "Stewards in God's world." The East Oklahoma life service group had 67 members at its week camp, and the youth gave $110.36 for Meals for Millions.

◆ Some 36 youth attended the first retreat of the Coastal Bend subdistrict at Palacios, Texas, the last of August, for leadership training, fellowship and inspiration. Theme was "Go ye therefore." Five study groups considered new program areas of the MYF. The subdistrict's special project is raising a $225 scholarship for college students of a minority group. One candidate for the scholarship attended the retreat.

◆ Allen Clinkscales, minister of music at the Ada, Okla. church, wrote a special anthem just for the Durant district rally October 9. Youth were thrilled by the anthem, "Go ye therefore into the harvest."



ie new Graham- youth chapel at Florida Methodist h Camp was dedi- l August 12 by ida Bishop John scomb. The chapel s 300 worshippers.

Ormond Powers Photo

MSM study books now being mailed

After several delays, the last of which the printer just couldn't explain, the three books prepared for the MSM's fall pre-quadrennial study program have finally come off the press and are now being mailed to individuals and campus student groups.

First off the press was *The Conscience of Culture*, a theological basis for the critique of our culture, written by Everett Tilson, professor at the Vanderbilt University School of Religion. In a few days came Denver University chaplain Glenn Olds' *The Christian Corrective*, a study in Christian terms of the peculiar sickness of our time. *Worship and the Arts*, by Hamline University professor Keith Irwin and *motive* editor Roger Ortmayer, treats the relation of art and faith and the student's role in appreciating and reflecting God's will.

The books cost a dollar each, and $2.75 for the set of three. A study guide accompanies each set. Copies are available only from your campus Methodist student group or from the Department of College and University Religious Life, Box 871, Nashville 2.

Official registration cards for the fifth National Methodist Student Conference have been mailed to local campus groups. The conference is set for the University of Kansas at Lawrence, December 28-January 2. All state student movements have received quotas for attendance from their states, and most local campuses have received their quotas. Quotas will be adjusted November 10, and final date for registration is December 15. Registration fe is $10, and total expenses at Lawrenc for housing, meals and university se vice charges total $23.80. Travel is i addition.

Early quota acceptances indicate full attendance of 2,300 students an counselors, according to Harvey C Brown of the Department of Colleg and University Religious Life.

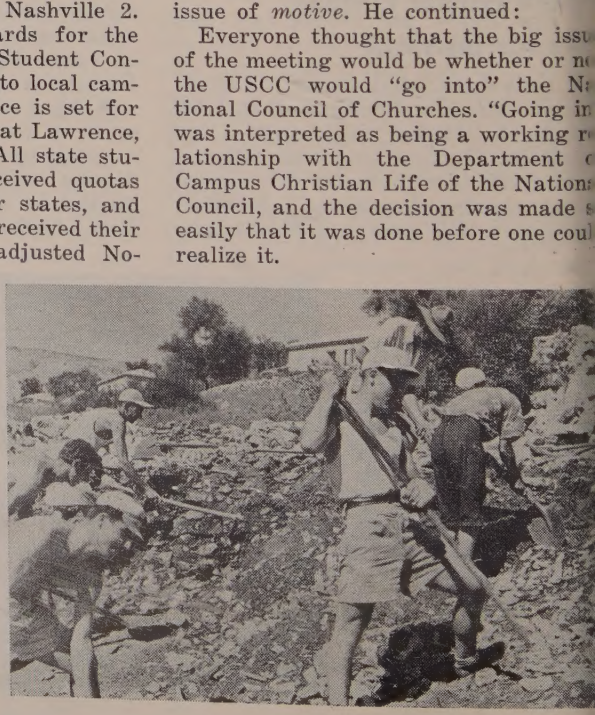
MSM in action

USCC holds Evanston meeting

"The student Christian movement too old in its attitudes and ideas." I some such words, Dr. Joseph Sittl told the tenth General Assembly of th United Student Christian Counci which met at Garrett Biblical Institut Evanston, Ill., September 5-12, th these student Christian leaders a "heavy" with words, plans and pr gram.

So wrote H. D. Bollinger, Methodi student work executive, in the curre issue of *motive*. He continued:

Everyone thought that the big issu of the meeting would be whether or n the USCC would "go into" the N tional Council of Churches. "Going in was interpreted as being a working r lationship with the Department Campus Christian Life of the Nation Council, and the decision was made easily that it was done before one cou realize it.



Some 30 college students participating in the third ecumenical work camp in Greece helped build a parish Orthodox church for the village of Riziani, a newly-established community of Greek refugee families. Students from six countries worked, worshipped and lived together in the remote mountain village.

arp debate took place on the State- of Purpose committee report. desired that the unity of the should be "theological" unity. Assembly would not be forced on ssue so the report (as practically thing else on the docket) was left year's study.

e Assembly did excellent work in study, stewardship and in a ted program with graduate stu-

M joins ional Council

st month the 67-year-old Student nteer Movement became the 13th denominational agency to affiliate the National Council of Churches. SVM promotes Christian missions ocations and seeks to recruit stu- for life service in missions.

M will retain its name and identity will have "initiative and autonomy atters of philosophy, policy and am." It will be related administra- to the National Council's Com- on of Christian Higher Education. H. "Ted" Johnson is general sec- y of SVM, and William Keys, for- secretary in New York of the d Council of Churches Youth De- ment, is administrative secretary.

dents work verything

ose Methodist students were do- verything! At least that's what it s when you read the big report of 1953 Cuban work camp of the Methodist Student Movement. The report is hot off the mimeograph.

The 16 work campers, including four Cubans, met at Camaguey last June 28 for their orientation and first lessons on essential Spanish. They visited a Rotary club, a match factory and bottling works, and homes of many peoples, as well as churches and church institutions. Half the group came down with influenza during the first two weeks.

But the work went on. The group soon held six vacation Bible schools with 50 attending one and about 20 in each of the others. At Garrido campers built a shelter wtih cement floor, wood and cement block frame. A recreation and social center is under way at San Pablo, because of the campers, ground work. Campers screened in the kitchen of Colegio Pinson.

And then Bible schools got bigger—71 pupils at one new school. Work projects got bigger, as campers built a volleyball-basketball court. And the goals became tremendous as work campers started a literacy campaign of their own, following Frank Laubach's idea, and taught many youth and adults the beginnings of reading and writing. The students branched out into woman's work, teaching mothers the principles of sanitation and nutrition. Result: one new WSCS organized. With the fathers, the fellows built a road in an area that badly needed one.

Visitation evangelism, testimonial services, hard labor, recreation, fellowship and worship—the 1953 Cuban work camp changed lives of those who participated and those in Cuba who were touched by its ministry.

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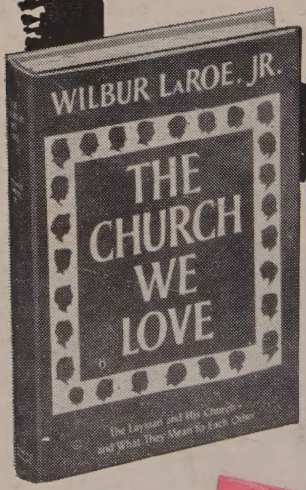

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